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REMARKS.

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1.

the Neubrandenburg komendatura had a strength of 12 officers and 30 EM and Major Federov (fnu) was deputy commandant. Officers belonging to Camp Fuenfelchen and the headquarters in Fuerstenberg included General (Armd) Vladimir Zhishkin, Colonel Zhaushkin (fnu), commanding officer of the tank regiment, Lieutenant Colonel Budnik (fnu), Zhaushkin's deputy, Lieutenant Colonel Mazelov (fnu), commanding officer of the engineer unit, Colonel Pizerov, Lieutenant Colonel Merzikov, (fnu), Lieutenant Colonel Bezarin (fnu), Lieutenant Colonel Zenin (fnu), Lieutenant Colonel Morov (fnu), Major Makarov (fnu), supply officer, and Captain Konov.

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Between 27 March and 4 April, the camp was occupied by about 150 officers and 500 EM including 60 to 80 engineer troops, about 300 tank troops and about 120 artillerymen. Vehicles and weapons observed included 6 T-43 tanks, 8 JS-2 tanks, 4 BA-64 armored scout cars, 7 x 76.2-mm AT guns, 8 pontoons, 15 pneumatic rafts and about 70 trucks and sedans.

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From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every day. Soviets and VP personnel engaged in driving practice with trucks and 1 JS-2 and 1 T-43-tank.

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2. Prior to 7 April, the Panzer Kaserne in Neubrandenburg was occupied to capacity by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia. The barracks installation cannot be approached. The noise of tanks was daily heard from the billeting area. On 3 April, 2 T-34/85 tanks practiced driving near the installation.

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1. Comment. Camp Fuenfeichen is probably identical with the Panzer Kaserne in Neubrandenburg. The present information indicates that the installation is still occupied by the unidentified Gds Hv Tank SP Regt of the 9th Gds Tank Div and by units of the 88th Engr Regt () of the Second Gds Mecz Army. Of the officers mentioned, Colonel Pizerow (fnu) is known as MVD chief in the headquarters of the Second Gds Mecz Army in Fuerstenberg and Lieutenant Colonel Merzikov (fnu), as supply officer in Neubrandenburg. As General (Armd) Vladimir Zhishkin (fnu) presumably belongs to the army headquarters in Fuerstenberg, he may be in command of the tank troops of the army.

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